

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Eugene Lee
MOTOKAZU KOBAYASHI ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2815
Application No.: 10/662,472)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 9615
Filed: September 16, 2003)	
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For: PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT, INK JET)	
RECORDING HEAD AND METHOD FOR	:	
MANUFACTURING PIEZOELECTRIC)	
ELEMENT	:	December 29, 2006

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

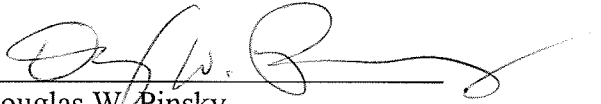
Sir:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to Applicants' undersigned representative during the telephone interview conducted on November 28, 2006 and reported by the Examiner in the Interview Summary issued on December 6, 2006.

In the interview, Applicants' undersigned representative argued, along the lines of the arguments set forth in the Amendment dated November 29, 2006, that independent Claims 1, 5 and 11 are patentable over the art cited in the Office Action dated August 22, 2006, specifically, U.S. Patent No. 6,060,735 (*Izuha et al.*) and U.S. Patent No. 6,398,349 (*Murai*). The Examiner stated that he believed the independent claims as amended in that Amendment would overcome that art.

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